In re Application of:

Docket No. 01311.001602.

NICHOLAS J. DORAN ET

Application No.: 09/083,966

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Filed: May 26, 1998

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P.O. Box 1450

For: DISPERSION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR

SOLITON OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

Examiner: K. Negash

Group Art Unit: 2633

Date: September 30, 2004

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 17	MINUS	**	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 6	MINUS	*** 12	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

	Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.				
	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.				
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.				
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.				
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.				
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.				
X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.				
	Respectfully submitted,				
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